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Dear Mr. Martin:

This is to provide you with the status of offsite radiological emergency preparedness relative to the Nine Mile Point and James A. FitzPatrick Plants. This report addresses concerns raised at the public meeting on the Site Area Emergency at Nine Mile Point Unit 2.

Stanley McIntosh, the Regional Assistance Committee Chairman, and Susan James, the Site Manager for Nine Mile Point/FitzPatrick plants, have reviewed the status of the transportation resources that would be implemented during a one-wave evacuation of the general public and schools in the 10-mile Emergency Planning Zone surrounding Nine Mile Point. FEMA has determined these transportation requirements to be adequate to conduct such an evacuation.

Per Federal requirements, the County Emergency Management Office is required to conduct training of all emergency workers, including evacuation bus drivers. FEMA monitors the adequacy and frequency of the training provided to these bus drivers. FEMA reviews the training logs for bus drivers, attends bus driver training sessions periodically, and receives a copy of the bus driver's checklist which is complete with maps and bus evacuation pickup points. All bus drivers receive regular training on which evacuation routes to run; the location and number of bus pickup points; where to transport the evacuees and emergency worker exposure control. The exact highway and traffic information is provided by the County Sheriff to the bus dispatchers when needed. Based on the current information, FEMA has determined that the bus drivers have received adequate training.

If the Oswego County Emergency Management Office deems it necessary to activate the Alert and Notification system, the sirens would be sounded, followed by an emergency broadcast system message. However, to insure that the siren system functions adequately, the County conducts quarterly siren tests. The dates and times of these tests are listed in the brochure entitled, "Oswego County,

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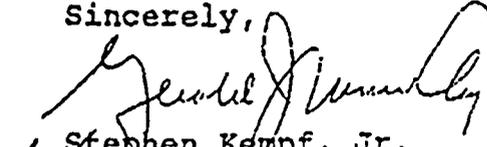


Emergency Planning and You", and distributed to the total 10-mile Emergency Planning Zone population. Before the siren tests begin, additional information is provided in advertisements placed in the area newspapers. The siren tests held in 1991, as listed in the brochure, were February 11-15, May 13-17, August 12-16 and November 4-8.

In the event that an evacuation is conducted in Oswego County, the evacuees would be transported to the reception center located in the Youth Building at the New York State Fairgrounds in Syracuse, New York. This reception center was found by FEMA to contain adequate space, facilities and resources to support an emergency response activity.

FEMA has found that there are currently no deficiencies related to Oswego County's emergency response activities surrounding the Nine Mile Point and James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plants. I hope that this response can assist you in any future inquiries pertaining to the Nine Mile Point Site. If you have any questions on these or any other issues, feel free to contact Stanley McIntosh at 311 225-7204.

Sincerely,



Stephen Kempf, Jr.
Regional Director

